

Village of Kirkersville Council Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2025

Mayor Ashcraft called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council in attendance: Holly Branham, Darren Coe, Mark Davis, Jim Kincaid and Carrie Slone.

Absent: Dave Engel

Also present: Fiscal Officer Shirley Roskoski and Solicitor Brian Zets.

Agenda

It was moved by Kincaid, seconded by Coe to approve the agenda. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

Minutes

It was moved by Coe, seconded by Davis to approve the minutes of May 7, 2025.

Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

Mayor

Mayor Ashcraft said the fines for the month were \$2,205.00.

He said he wanted to thank Todd Merry for putting the flags up and Mark Davis for putting the flags together.

Public Poll

Vicki Coe, 9543 Loop Rd., said there has been talk about keeping chickens. She said chickens in town are a problem. She asked council to consider letting residents keep chickens if they have an acre or more of property.

Andy Shayko, 375 E Main, said they are thinking of putting trees up in their front yard to block the light coming from Dollar General. He did thank P&Z for working with him on eliminating some of the light pollution from Dollar General.

Police Chief

Chief Poling gave his monthly report. He said Officer Grubb has been released from training.

He brought up using Lexipol for the Police Department policies. He said the cost is \$3,983.25 for 4 users and it renews annually.

Council member Kincaid asked if it was a different cost for one user.

Chief Poling said he would look into that.

Chief Poling said he would like to establish a \$45.00 per hour fee for special duty officers and a \$10.00 per hour cruiser fee.

Council member Coe said he did not want our officers doing special duty and getting paid instead of putting their time in for the village.

Planning and Zoning

Mayor Ashcraft said he talked to Phillip Miller to see if the village could buy the lot adjacent to our vacant lot. Phillip said he could not get it out of his grandfather's name.

Council member Kincaid asked Brian to look into what we can do to obtain that piece of property.

Council member Coe said he has Hebron's code on chickens. He is in favor of allowing them if you own one acre or more.

Council member Kincaid said we keep saying chickens, what if someone wants rabbits.

Council member Davis said there are a lot of properties that are one acre or more.

Council member Kincaid said lets table this to take the time to look over Hebron's code.

Solicitor

Brian said he worked on Resolution 09-2025 which is on the agenda tonight. This is to establish a JEDD District 1.

Finance

Council member Davis read of the following fund balances:

General	171,076.16	Am. Rescue Plan	15.00
Street	77,116.29	Enfct, & Education	80.00
State Hwy.	35,556.27	Court Computer	1,344.00
Drug Law Enfct.	720.00	State Grant	720.00
Indigent Drivers	400.00	Sewer Operating	414,989.15

For a total of \$705,261.84

Legislative Actions

First Reading – Resolution 09-2025 – A resolution approving a contract top create a Joint Economic Development District (Kirkersville JEDD District No.1) and authoring the Mayor to execute the same.

First Reading – Resolution 10-20205 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to execute a Personal Services Agreement for legal services with Isaac Wiles Burkholder & Miller, LLC and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Kincaid, seconded by Davis to suspend with the rules. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

It was moved by Kincaid, seconded by Davis to adopt Resolution 10-20205 as an emergency. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

Bills

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Coe to pay the bills in the amount of \$50,259.01. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

Old Business

Council member Davis asked if anyone had heard back from Tire Mart.

Mayor Ashcraft said he has not. He said Speedway should open sometime in July.

Council member Coe asked when the sewer work would be done.

Mayor Ashcraft said they are going to start the week of the 24th.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved Kincaid, seconded by Davis to adjourn. Following vote on the motion is recorded: yea, 5; Branham, Coe, Davis, Kincaid and Slone. Nay, none.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Fiscal Officer

Mayor